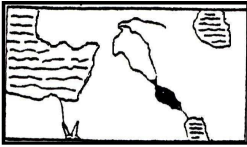


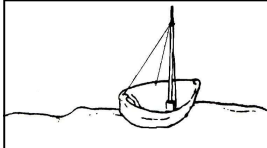
Questions to Ask About a Culture

1. Geography



- Valley between Tigris and Euphrates rivers
- Mesopotamia means valleys between rivers (Greek)
- Weather much the same as today. Hot in summers and cold in winter

2. Economics



- Lacked many natural resources (timber, stone)
- Fertile land for crops
- Plant life was sparse

3. Religion and Philosophy



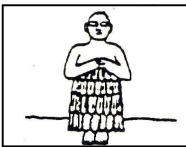
- Worshiped 300 deities
- Deities for everything natural
- Ziggurats to worship deities

4. Knowledge, Education, and the Arts



- Only boys went to school
- 3300 BCE pictographs
- 2400 BCE own alphabet

5. Political Science



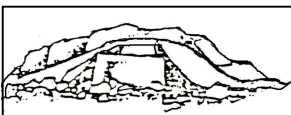
- Settled into city-state (own rules)
- Uruk most powerful city-state
- Strong city-state conquered and controlled weaker government

6. Sociology



- Men head of household
- Slaves treated fairly
- Women had some rights

7. History



- Referred to as cradle of civilization
- First known civilization found here
- Country followed pattern of settlement